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SUBJ: PEKING MEDIA LINK THE U.S. DIRECTLY TO VIOLATIONS OF
THE PARIS CEASE FIRE

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1. PEOPLE'S DAILY "COMMENTATOR" ARTICLE OF AUGUST 3 (NOT CARRIED IN ENGLISH NCNA AVAILABLE TO USLO) ACCUSES BOTH THE U.S. AND SAIGON OF OBSTRUCTING A STABLE PEACE AND PREVENTING THE THOROUGH IMPLEMENTATION OF SEVERAL IMPORTANT CLAUSES OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE SUBSEQUENT JOINT COMMUNIQUE. THE U.S., THE ARTICLE CONTINUES, HAS NOT EARNESTLY CARRIED OUT ITS OWN PLEDGE, AND AT THE SAME TIME HAS ALLOWED THE THIEU REGIME TO "RECKLESSLY VIOLATE" THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

2. PEKING'S CRITICISM OF THE U.S. FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT COMES AFTER MONTHS OF AVOIDING ANY SUCH DIRECT ACCUSATIONS (REFTEL). IT IS APPARENTLY PROMPTED BY STRONG BLASTS
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FROM BOTH THE DRV AND THE PRG ON JULY 31, WHICH AUTHORITIES

HERE OBVIOUSLY FELT COULD NOT GO BY WITHOUT SOME PRC COMMENT.
HOWEVER, COMPARED TO THE DRV AND PRG STATEMENTS, WHICH
ACCUSE THE U.S. OF A HOST OF VIOLATIONS IN LAOS AND CAMBODIA AS
WELL AS FOR FAILING TO IMPLEMENT THE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE
PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, THE PRC CONTRIBUTION
IS NOTABLY MILD. IT FAILS TO MENTION LAOS AND CAMBODIA AT ALL,
IN FACT, AND CONCLUDES BY FOCUSING MUCH MORE ON SAIGON THAN ON THE
U.S. FOR NOT LIVING UP TO THE PARIS AGREEMENT: "THE U.S.
GOVERNMENT AND THE SAIGON AUTHORITIES MUST THOROUGHLY
IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE AND
PARTICULARLY THE SAIGON AUTHORITIES...".
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